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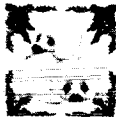
Dear Mr. Jaffe:

I am requesting that the FDA ban the practice of 'forced molting' in 'laying' birds because it is done to profit the egg industry and is of no benefit to the birds whatsoever. Scientific studies show that the stress of this practice results in an increase in intestinal *Salmonella* and the transmission of the organism to uninfected hens. Additionally, because these birds are intentionally starved, they consume contaminated feathers in an effort to reduce their hunger. Protect the birds and consumers, not egg industry profits.

Sincerely,

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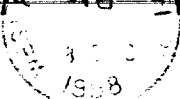
*Please consider
the human health
hazard, if not the
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